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ALLIED TROOPS DRIVE HUN BACK OVER MARNE

SUNK WARSHIP NOW MISSES 48 MEN

Three Rescue Steamers Bring Survivors of San Diego Safe to Port.

CREW SUNG NATIONAL ANTHEM WHEN LEAVING

Discipline Admirable, Gunners "Sticking" Until Forced to Jump.

CAUSE OF DISASTER REMAINS MYSTERY TO NAVY OFFICERS

Sub-boat, Floating or Fixed Mine Three Theories Held by Those Who Probe.

An Atlantic Port, July 20 .-Forty-eight of the 1,255 men aboard the United States cruiser San Diego, sunk yesterday of Fire Island, had not been accounted for late today. Thirtyone of the crew-were landed on Fire Island beach, ten miles from which the sinking took place, in small boats, and three rescue ships brought 1,183 men to this and nearby ports.

So well ordered was the work of rescue after the vessels arrived that but half an hour plapsed before all the men clinging to the three boats and floating wreckage were picked up.

But it was nearly three hours after the San Diego went down before the rescuers arrived and many of the men were nearly exhausted from their long immersion when taken from the water

The San Diego was unable to send out any wireless calls, the explosion which sank her having destroyed her apparatus.

She floated twenty-two minutes, during which time her gun crews surface disturbances, in the hope of finding a U-boat mark. Only when the water had crept up toward their waists, as the cruiser sank, did the gunners dive over-

How San Diego Sunk. The cruiser San Diego went down

to the tunes of "The Star Spangled Banner" and "My Country, 'Tis of Thee," sung by the survivors. A stirring account of their valor was made public here last night by Rear Admiral Palmer, acting Secretary of the Navy. It told how the gunners stuck to their posts, on the watch for a submarine, until the waters reached their waists, and how these to the statement of the statem those on the starboard remained on duty until the list of the ship point-

air. The account in full is as for-lows.

The explosion took place on the port side just aft of the forward port en-gine-room bulkhead. The feed tank gine-room bulknead. The feed tank and circulating tank were blown in, and the port engine wrecked. Full speed ahead was rung, and the star-board engine operated until it was stopped by water rising in the engine room. Machinist Mate Hawthorne, who was at the throttle in the port engine room, was blown four feet under the engine room desk. He got up, closed the throttle on the engine, up, closed the throttle on the engine which had already stopped, and ther escaped up the engine room ladder.
"Lieut. Millen, on watch in the star-

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GERMAN RAIL SYSTEM

REPORTED COLLAPSING

Military Railways in Poor Shape, French Embassy Hears.

Collapse of the German military railway system is hinted at in semiofficial dispatches received yesterday afternoon at the French Embassy.
And it is pointed out that no more serious blow could be dealt the German war party than such a happening. Germany's great military strength has been largely due to the mobility of her armies, and this has been possible through the network of military railroads which cross her domain.

main.
She has been able to shunt great armies across from the East to the West front and back, at times making one army almost do the work of two. A deputy in the Reichstag, M. Gotheln, srites the Berlin Tageblatt, expressing great anxiety on the state of the railways and points out that an excessive number of accidents are happening, especially to the engines. He attributes this te the substitution of steel for copper in certain important. for copper in certain important, chiefly in connection with the lars. "The longer the war lasts, the serious will this aiuation me," he writes, "and the war not be won if our means of com-lections should fail."

Airless Room Tests Lung Capacity of Aviators to Prevent Faintness in Air

Mineols, L. L., July 20.—A new testing system has been devised, which makes for a better selection of aviators who will not faint in the rarified atmosphere found at 20,000 feet. It is operated at the flying field here in a special glass room, where the air is gradually pumped out. A dial indicates the height at which corresponding air conditions are obtained. Men. who cannot withstand the high altitudes are assigned to work below 15,000 feet. The room is so arranged that it a man faints, oxygen is restored.

LIFE FACTS OF FOE PEOPLES PROVE DEFEAT

Lowered Birth Rate Means Struggle Cannot Last Two Years.

BRITISH THRIVE IN WAR

Marriage Rate Is Index of High Morale of Nation.

Astounding proof that the founda-tions of the Central Powers are now rapidly crumbling and that the mor-ale of their civilian populations can-not withstand the ravages of war more than two years longer was dis-closed yesterday by Dr. Raymond Pearl, statistician of the Food Ad-ministration.

Through comparison of data gather-ed by agents of the allied govern-ments and the United States, scien-tists have established the following

The net decrease in birth rate in 1917 was 48 per cent in Germany and 54 per cent in Hungary. The net decrease in England and The net decrease in England and France was 24 per cent.
Germany's loss in population was 40,000 per 1,000,000, 'Hungary's 70,000 per 1,000,000 and England's 10,000 per 1,000,000.

The marriage rate in England showed a marked increase, but the rate in the Central Powers declined sharply.

A great decrease in the mortality rate in England, coupled with the inof such guns as could be worked due to her severe list, fired shell after shell at nearby and distant war greatly increases the death war greatly increases the death war greatly increases the death rate among all persons of 70 year

is the surest indication of the morale

War Saves as Well as Kills,

Deaths among the soldiers of ali nations, with the possible exception of Germany, are no greater than if the men were in civil life, owing to the improved health conditions.

In discussing the length of the war as indicated by the statistics of decreasing morale. Dr. Pearl said:

"The high death rate in the territories of the Central Powers, the food

difficulties, and the ever-increasing menace of the allies combine to indi-cate that Germany and Austria-Hungary can not sustain their war effort more than two years. Now is the time for Germany to conclude peace and gain what she can from the wreckage. For the same reason, now is the time for the allies to begin their effort which will crush fo at least a century any desire on the part of the German people to impose

German Machine Crumbling.

for farm work and of low morals among the civilians clearly show that the great German machine is maintained what courage they have through the stimulus of repeated map victories. A sudden cessation map victories. A sudden cessation of the war will be urged and perhaps compiled by the Social Demo-crats of the Central Powers soon after the allies assume the often-sive on a great scale on all fronts. "If the German armies laid down their arms today their political leaders would have still an oppor-tunity to virtually win the war through winning material conces-sions relative to Russia and Cen-tral Europe. If the Junkers re-main in power, however, and the crown prince can continue his headlong policy, the allies will, be able to inflict punishment which will break the militarist desires of Germany for generations to come.
"History repeats itself, and figure
of the losses endured by nations in of the losses endured by nations is other wars give clearly the course of the present trend. Germany can-not win the war on the battle-

POPE NAMES BISHOPS.

Six U. S. Clergy Elevated by the

Pontiff. Rome, July 20.-Pope Benedict today

appointed the following Roman Catholic clergymen in the United States bishops:

The Rev. Fathers Gallagher, of Detroit; Brady, of Baker City, Ore.; Byne, of Galveston, Texas; Drossaerts, of San Antonio, Texas; Macnicholas, of Duluth, Minn., and Taumard, of Lafayette, State not designated.

SEND GOUGERS TO WAR FRONT, SAY WORKERS

Federal Employes Plan Abolition of Profiteers in Capital.

ADOPT FULL PLATFORM

Senator ing Aids Them; Some Plain Questions for Officials.

Here are some of the demands that will be made by the Federa-tion of Federal Employes and al-illed organizations at present en-gaged in combatting the profiteer-ing rampant in Washington: Eliminate the profiteering mid-dleman under the "work-or-fight"

rule.

Establish a municipal community market and grocery store.

A clothing administrator is opposed, lest history repeat itself, and suffering from lack of clothing follow as in the case of food and fuel.

"Why does A movieur food and

"Why does American food sell for less in Europe than in Wash-

for less in Europe than in Washington?"

"Why does the housing division of the Council of National Defense declare the housing situation in Washington satisfactory when they cannot furnish rooms at prices that make them possible?"

"Why is there so great a delay in the housing program? You have \$10,000,000 available. What is the explanation?" the housing bureau of the Department of Labor will be asked.

be asked. What steps have the Fuel Administration taken to prevent a repetition of the suffering of last winter?

Drastic laws that will compel

the proper authorities to prosecute and eliminate profiteering will be demanded of Congress.

The Food Administration has not used its full power to prevent profiteering, Senator King declared.

Send Them to Front. Middlemen should be sent to the ront, under the "work-or-fight" rule,

front, under the "work-or-fight" rule, according to a recommendation of the "punch" committee of the National Federation, yesterday.

The committee makes this demand because it believes that the "greater portion of the unholy profiteering prevailing is attributable to the immense margins of profit by the middlemen."

Middlemen are not producers, says the committee, and so they come unthe committee, and so they come un-"work-or-fight" investigate as to whether all such corporations or partnerships engaged in the commission business in the handling of foodstuffs should not be dis-

Senator King is also in favor of diminating the middleman by the municipal or governmental control of the retailing of food.

Punch Committee Works. The "punch" committee is not let-ting the matter go at that, however, Some of the members have taken a

week off and others are prepared to devote a month to the seeing of the devote a month to the seeing of the anti-profiteering program through. Profiteers will be as minus a quantity, and as silent, when they get through, they believe, as U-boat cap-tains will be this time next year. They intend to stick to the job until som e remedy or relief is carried through. If this can be done without troubling the President, so much the better, but the need for help is so crying and the matter so serious, that if will be because the less those to whom he has designed power to remedy abuses come to the rescue. They will make their first calls Tuesday. Sending the middlemen to the trenches is only one plank in their

pistform.

They beg and implore the President not to name a clothing administrator, lest, history repeating itself, the Federal employe be unable to go to work "because of lack of reiment

No Clothing Rules.

This fear of a September Morn fu-ture, they claim, would be well found-ed, should a clothing administrator be appointed. "After the fuel adminbe appointed. "After the fuel admin-istrator took charge of the coal sit-uation, the people of this city suffered as never before from the lack of fuel, so much so that "the fuel administrator, first a joke, later became tragedy."

Their second horrible example of the cond horrible example of the

Their second horrible example of the future of a town with a clothing administrator is drawn from the food administration: "After the food administrator took charge of the food situation, conditions so changed for the worst that prices now are higher CONTINUED ON PAGE TWO.

20 KILLED IN DETROIT.

Interurban and Freight Cars Collide; 30 Are Injured.

Jackson, Mich., July 20.—Twenty persons are reported dead and thirty hurt to the collision of a Detroit United Railway interurban passenger car and a freight car near Chelses to-

Hun Squeals with Reason About Yanks, Says London

London, July 20.-The following tribute to the American fighting qualities appeared in the Evening News

"The Germans are now squealing about the effectiveness of the American fighting.

They have good reason to squeal. The Americans are fighting in the Indian fashion where the trenches are abandoned.

"The American army teaches men to fight in the open, to advance in short rushes, take cover and advance again. This calls for discipline of the highest degree, but no less for individual courage and skill. The lesson was first learned from the Indians, and was adapted to modern

North of Chateau Thierry, where the Marines hunted the Germans out of their machine gun pits, they showed how effectively this system can be employed against a foe who is schooled differently. As new battle lines are created through forests and hills we may expect to hear more of the American style of fighting."

OFFENSIVE SHIFTED OVER, GENERAL MARCH ASSERTS

German Initiative Passed, as Allies Assume It, GRAND FLEET Staff Belief-1,200,000 American Troops in France or on Way.

"The German offensive has passed the six divisions that make up the and in its stead there is the Allied first army corps.

He also made known that the filionis

offensive."

In thus repeating General March's statement to the military affairs committee, Secretary of War Baker yesterday summed up the military situation on the Western front.

With allied artillery sweeping Soissons with a rain of shells and render-

sons with a rain of shells and rendering impotent the railroad supplying
the Germans, War Department officlais believe it will be but a short
time before Von Boehm will be compelled to withdraw his army from the
perilous pocket it now occupies. Withdrawal, it has been explained, means
a tremendous loss both of life and
iterritory to the enemy. territory to the enemy.

" .rent May Develop. While the Franco-American forces now have the Germans on the run, it may be several days before the full magnitude of their advance is shown to its best advantage. If the Ger mans are unable to bring up sufficient reserves to stem the them, it is entirely pos

advance may assume proportions of such an extent as to bring about a retreat greater than the famous retreat greater than the famous "strategic" retreat of Von Hinden-Gen. March's weekly statement on the war was one of victory.

The Franco-American counter offensive which took Rheims out of

jeopardy was along a front of twen-ty-two miles, he said. The maxi-mum penetration of our troops was ten miles; the average was seven.
The fall of Soissons is expected momentarily.
Approximately 270,000 American troops, or six divisions, swept forward along this front. In each divi-

sion, he explained, were about 27,-000 fighting men. A full division, including non-combatants, numbers The six divisions were the First,

Second, Third and Fourth—regular army—and the Twenty-Sixth and Twenty-eighth, National Guard. Bombarding Solssons.

American artillery is now parding Soissons, and the figlong the entire line is developing in intensity. The capture of about 17,000 prisoners and 360 guns, as announced in press dispatches, is

approximately correct.

And in addition to all this good news, the chief of staff announced that the number of American troops now in France or embarked for there had exceeded the 1,200,000

general added that a regimen of colored troops were engaged in the present counter-offensive along

TED WOUNDED, QUENTIN DEPUTIES RAGE AT DEAD, ROOSEVELT TOLD

Major's Wound Not Serious; He Is Radicals and Slavs Shout "Resign, in Paris. Paris. July 30.-Confirmation

Lieut, Quentin Roosevelt's death during an aerial battle Sunday near Chateau Thierry was contained in a note dropped by a German aviator in velt was attached, the Journal announced today.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., July 20.-Maj. Theodore Roosevelt, jr., has been wounded and is now in Paris. News of his oldest son having been wound-ed was brought to Col. Roosevett in a cablegram today shortly after he today forman United Railway interurban passenger car and a freight car near Chelses tonight.

Nearly all of those dead and injused are soldlers returned from Camp Custer to spend the week-end with relatives in Detroit. Two of the dead are women.

The cars met at high speed. The passenger car was crowded and was punning seven minutes late. Nine bodies of victims have been taken to the town hall in Chelses.

The callegram today shortly after he had received confirmation of the death of his youngest son, Lieut. Quentin Roosevelt, who was slain in an ir battle July It and fell behind the German lines.

The message respecting Maj. Roosevelt was sent by the wounded officer's wife who is connected with a Red Cross hospital in Paris. The message which lacked details read:

"Ted wounded. Not seriously. Here with me. Not any danger. No cause for any danger.

HAVOC FOR HUN

He also made known that the Illionia National Guard troops, under command of Maj. Gen. George Bell, Jr., who were trained at Camp Logan, Houston, Texas, have lately been in the thick of the fighting, though at another point in the line. They were the men who a short time ago went over the top with Australian troops in a successful advance, he said. They are now in an English training Detachment Returns: Tells They are now in an English training

of Damage Accomplish-

ed at Tondern.

London, July 20 .- A detachment

of the British grand fleet has now returned to its base, following a cruise off the coast of Jutland, dur-

admiralty tonight. The raids were directed at Zeppelin sheds at Ton-dern, in Northern Germany.

"A detachment of the grand fleet operating off Jutland (western coast of Denmark) on the morning

base, having carried out a bombing attack on the Zeppelin sheds at Tondern, in Schleswig Holstein, by

the royal air forces that were dis-

Made Direct Hits.

made early in the morning, all the machines reached their objectives

and made direct hits on a large

destroyed, the configgration rising 1,000 feet in the air. A second flight followed the first, all of our

machines but one reaching their objectives."

British bombing squadrons again

have invaded Germany and have gone beyond the Rhine. An announce-ment from the air ministry says that

works at Mannheim, on the railway

mentioned having been bombed to-day. A fire resulted at the Benz works. Railway trains also were at-tacked. The statement reads:

"Our bombing squadrons again were

At the Benz works at Mannheim, the railway station at Heidelberg and the

gossen were attacked. At the Benz works a fire broke out. A hostile air-drome was attacked, one of the han-

gars receiving a direct hit. Two trains were hit by bombs, brought to

chine-gun fire.
"On July 19 the powder factory at

Oberndorf (on the Neckar, southwest of Stuttgart) was attacked. Bursts were observed on the buildings in the

factory. Al our machines returned

at Burbach and Wad-

blast furnaces

ment from the air ministry says bombs were dropped on the

to return. Three of these are

"In the first flight, which was

The communique follows:

In his resume of the week's fighting the general declared that the scene of fighting had shifted from the Italian to the French front where the enemy last Monday began an offensive along a sixty-mile front.

Along the Marne the Hun penetrated from four to five miles between ing which successful bombing raids were carried out by naval airmen operating from the ships, accord-ing to an official statement by the

from four to five miles between Chateau Thierry and Rheims, but this ording to the ge has been brought to a standstill.

Rheims Strongly Held. The object of the entire Germa one of the chief reasons Rheims. One of the chief reasons Rheims has not fallen is because of its fortifications. It is so well organized for defense, according to the general, that

resistance. Another reason it has not fallen has been the brilliant counter-offensive by Foch, who has rendered one arm of the "nutcracker" Franco-American artillery, he said, now dominates the railroads that are essential to supply the Germans in the vicinity of Soissons.

Gen. March paid high tribute to Gen.

Gen. March pald high tribute to Gen.
Gouraud, the French commander in charge of the Champagne district. If anyone deserves the term "battle-scarred veteran" it is Gouraud. He has been wounded five times and has lost one arm in battle during the war. The French call him "tres soldat,"

The French call him "tres soldat," gone beyond the Rhine. An any the air ministry sa spirit, according to Gen. March, which makes men happy to die for him.

In answer to questions Gen. March said the seventy-seventh division of the national army, which was trained at Camp Dix, was now in the line of action at a post near Luneville. It is under its own commander.

The seventy-eighth division, he also explained, had a large number of New Jersey selects in addition to the Delaware and New York State selects.

Thus far the War Department has received no information as to the number of casualties in the American forces as a result of the present of-

AUSTRIAN PREMIER

You Criminal."

Damage Proyed. Zurich, July 20.-(Via Paris)-"Re Striking evidence of the damage caused by the raids of British bomb-ing squadrons upon the German rail-land Schulens is afsign, you criminal!" was the shout with which Austrian Premier von ing squadrons upon the German rail way system at Metz-Sablons is af forded by an official British photo Seydler was greeted in the chamber vienna advices. For fuly 15 minutes the Premier was unable to make his voice heard, so great was the property of the premier was unable to make his raid on July 6 and the raid on July the Premier was unable to make his raid on July 6 and the night of voice heard, so great was the tumult shows in minute detail the who raised by the Socialist, radical and the important railway junction at Slav deputies. The latter were parMetz, including the famous "railway ticularly violent in denouncing Von triangle" at Metz-Sabions, where an ticularly violent in denouncing seydler and his confeeres as "Prussian slaves" and "Hindenburg's lackeys." the south towards the Western front.

The effects of some exceptionally The chances of the Von Seydler destructive bursts are visible in the photograph among the engine shed and workshops in the center of the government commanding a parliamentary majority appear hopeless The Hungarian Pester Lloyd says the triangle and the remains of t government has threatened to resign unless it succeeds in breaking the

Retreat of Germans Across Marne Admitted by Berlin, but Camouflaged as Voluntary Retirement "Unnoticed by Enemy."

AMERICANS ADVANCE TWO KILOMETERS; THREATEN TO FLANK CHATEAU THIERRY

Only Thing Germans Have to Show for Great Effort of Last Monday is Moronvilliers Ridge-Gen. von Staad Recalled Because He Allowed Yanks to Surprise Him.

With the American Army in France, July 20 .- Following the Franco-American successes south of Soissons the Americans, pivoting on Chauteau-Thierry, attacked this afternoon, advancing from two to three kilometers to the northeast of the Torcy-Bouresches line, threatening to mask Hill 204 and flank Chateau-Thierry.

The only thing the Germans now have to show for their great effort of last Monday is Moronvilliers Ridge, east of Rheims.

A Prussian captain, captured this morning, asserts that Gen. von Staad, commanding the army group southwest of Soissons, has been recalled for permitting himself to be surprised by the enemy

GERMANS NOW EVERYWHERE BACK ACROSS THE MARNE Paris, July 20.—The Germans are everywhere back across PLANES WORK

The proud Ludendorff himself had to admit it today. He weve this grave concession into a camouflage of voluntarily retirement. His official day bulletin, farcical in language, fol-

"During the night our troops south of the Marne were withdrawn to the north bank unnoticed by the enemy."

Thus ends the ambitious enterprise on which his legions embarked at dawn of July 15, when, under the murderous fire of French and American guns, they dashed headlong across the stream by means of pontoon bridges, many of which were submerged, having been thrown across in the darkness of nightunnoticed by the enemy.

Tonight from opposite Chateau Thierry to the northeast of Dormans stand the victorious troops of France and America ready for a crossing when Foch gives the signal. It may come during the night; it may not come until the great flanking battle on the left between the Marne and the Aisne is de-

CROWN PRINCE LOSES 60,000.

Sixty thousand of his most daring fighters the Crown Prince lost during those thirty-six hours last Monday and Tuesday in which, very much "noticed by the enemy," he kept up feeding the mill of death operated by the gallant Poilus and the "green" Yankees. It was to have been a headlong dash to Epernay to cut the lifeline of Rheims. It turned out to be a princely junket that painted the Marne red for twenty miles-red with Teuton blood.

Paris, July 20 .- On the German ank between the Aisne and the Marne 100,000 fresh reserve troops hurled into the battle cauldron by the Crown Prince are slowing, but nowhere arresting the steady advance of the Franco-American forces.

Early this evening between one and two miles of additional ground had been gained on a twenty-mile front between Soissons and Chauteau-Half a dozen or more towns had been captured, and the number

prisoners was approaching the 20,000 mark.

Soissons, still in German hands, but being slowly encircled on three sides, is still the pivot on which the Franco-American front is swinging westward.

Outflanking Flank.

Americans dashed forward six miles; in the center they advanced about two, and on their right flank above Chateau Thierry they made between one and two miles.

What is going on now is a process of outflanking a flank; Foch is trying to roll up the German Aisne-Marne front by swinging his center and right northeastward around Soissons in the general direction of Fismes.

Rheims into motion. That whole great funnel through which the which the Crown Prince's legions swept south-ward to the Marne in May is now being violently assailed on its three

sides and each day has brought the assailants important gains, And into this same funnel the Kaier's heir is throwing division after ivision—his own reserves are well igh exhausted. This much the hird day of the gigantic battle has simple reason that to decline it and retreat would give the death blow to

Rheims Safe.

overwhelming opposition.

Scarcity of food is becoming more serious in Vienna, according to advices from the Austrian capital. Two hundred restaurants have had to close, sugar and of a shortage of paper.

Rhelms Safe.

On the eastern side of the "Funnel of Fate" a wonderous change has been wrought by the counter offensive from the Austrian capital. Two deneral has been suppressed by the hundred restaurants have had to close. Swiss authorities on the estensible today it is a certainty: it is no longary one dispatch.

Recall for a moment what hap-pened on the first day of Foch's great counter drive: In the direc-tion of Solssons the French and dealt the Teuton front between the Pourcy, the little village on the Ardre, whence the Germans had startcan and Italian troops are pushing westward, battering the left "ribs" of right northeastward around of the Teuton body of flesh and steel olissons in the general direction of Fismes.

To accelerate this process he has in the allies' hands. But that does not yet tell the siveness. There is another front equally vitel as those between the

"Stone Walled."

Remember how, when, on July 15, Ludendorff ushered in his ill-starred drive across the Marne and both sides of Rheims, his troops east of the Cathedral City were Stone-walled" from the got beyond the Prunay-Prosnes

Aisne and the Marne. It is the

Auberive-Souain line.

The Franco-American granite wall there has begun to shoot contact the state of the sta deadly splinters on part of tront. Along the six-mile line tween Auberive and Souain Germans were today thrown back fully 1,000 yards. That n cans a new pincer move, local as yet, but full of great possibilities. A subadvance or e-

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